GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

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EXPORT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS BY APEDA

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Will the Minister of COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States including Maharashtra that have contributed in the export of agricultural food products from the country during the last three years and the current year;

(b) the targets fixed by the Government for export of agricultural products during the current fiscal year and in the coming year;

(c) whether India's exports of agricultural products has seen significant rise during the current financial year and till date and if so, the details of agricultural products exported and the details of countries to whom such exports are being made to the total revenue earned from such exports during the said period;

(d) whether India's exports of agricultural has seen significant rise during the current financial year and till date and if so, the details of agricultural products exported;

(e) whether the Government has held any consultations with the various States for the implementation of Agriculture Export Policy;

(f) if so, the details of initiatives taken and work done by Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) for boosting the exports of agricultural food products in the country during the last three years and the current year; and

(g) the impact of significant rise in agricultural exports on the farmers' income during the said period?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद) THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) All states have contributed to agricultural and food products export including the state of Maharashtra and the total agricultural exports in the years 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 have been 50.21, 53.13 and 48.80 Billion USD respectively.

(b) The Government has been monitoring export performance including that of agricultural and processed food products in the current financial year i.e. 2024-25. Specific target setting is not done

for food products but continuous monitoring and industry interaction is undertaken to enhance exports vis-à-vis previous year.

(c) & (d) India's Export of Agricultural products has seen significant rise in the areas of fruits and vegetable, spices, coffee, tea and tobacco products. Due to management of domestic food security needs export in the areas of rice, wheat and sugar, have seen a decline. The details of Agricultural products which have seen an increase and the top five export destinations are placed at Annexure 1.

(e) to (g)

- Government had announced a comprehensive Agri Export Policy (AEP) in December 2018 and continuous consultations with various states is done on a regular basis.
 - The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) is constantly engaged in export promotion activities for agricultural & processed food products and has played an important role.
 - APEDA implements the 'Agriculture & Processed Food Products Export Promotion Scheme'. Various developmental activities are undertaken and assistance to exporters is provided under different components of the scheme viz. Infrastructure Development, Market Development and Quality Development.
 - APEDA has also been collaborating with the Indian Missions abroad for participating in various international trade fairs and exhibitions, organising virtual trade fairs, buyer-seller meets and export promotion of GI products.
 - APEDA has also facilitated trial shipments for new products with export potential and for new destinations.
 - Department of Commerce has established Export Promotion Forums (EPFs) for individual products under the aegis of the APEDA to address the issues of stakeholders. The EPFs have representation from trade/industry, line ministries/departments, regulatory agencies, research institutes, state governments etc. In all 9 EPFs have been formed for rice, banana, grapes, mango, onion, dairy products, nutri-cereals, pomegranate and floriculture respectively.
 - APEDA has also played an important role in opening up of new markets for agricultural products in the recent past such as Canada, China, South Korea, Taiwan, Portugal, Indonesia, Iran etc.
 - APEDA has been organizing capacity building/training programs in the Agri-export clusters and States in association with the State Departments, State Agriculture Universities, and Krishi Vikas Kendras for farmers, farmer-producer organizations (FPOs) and exporters in order to provide export-market linkage to the farmer groups and to facilitate entrepreneurs in becoming prospective exporters.
 - APEDA has also made efforts to establish synergy with the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying and Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) to ensure optimum utilization of resources for development of agriculture exports.
 - Integration of farmers with global market enables farmers to be more quality conscious, to bench mark his products with International standards and helps in ensuring better price discovery. Thus, higher agricultural exports have a positive correlation with farmer's income.

TOP 5 EXPORT DESTINATIONS (Figures in Million USD)

1. FRESH FRUITS

Country	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
NETHERLAND	126.00	125.62	215.20
U ARAB EMTS	147.54	151.19	195.04
IRAQ	22.32	41.03	89.77
IRAN	58.86	42.76	69.72
BANGLADESH PR	148.67	83.36	58.78

2. FRESH VEGETABLES

Country	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
BANGLADESH PR	195.88	122.98	219.41
U ARAB EMTS	94.30	158.39	122.11
MALAYSIA	75.21	117.56	77.01
SRI LANKA DSR	65.71	62.28	67.49
NEPAL	116.22	91.81	62.65

3. COFFEE

Country	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
ITALY	155.61	148.76	208.08
GERMANY	94.76	122.50	126.93
RUSSIA	59.66	104.71	75.98
BELGIUM	89.08	90.33	73.83
U ARAB EMTS	26.26	45.38	70.49

4. TEA

Country	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
U ARAB EMTS	85.13	165.53	131.19
IRAQ	23.01	29.63	88.54
USA	80.07	71.14	77.62
RUSSIA	76.01	91.72	77.17
UK	43.09	44.26	44.44

5. SPICES

Country	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
CHINA P RP	891.41	793.41	928.16
USA	595.19	523.28	572.46
BANGLADESH PR	230.43	257.04	338.95
U ARAB EMTS	218.28	205.72	256.25
THAILAND	130.38	183.97	192.87

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